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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Toshiki TARU, et al.

Serial No.: 09/622,827

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For: FURNACE AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL FIBER WIRE DRAWING

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Examiner: S. Latimer

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Approval of the changes made to Figs 8 through 10, as shown in red ink on the attached photocopies, is courteously solicited. Specifically, it is proposed to amend each of Figs. 8, 9 and 10 to provide the legend --PRIOR ART-- as requested by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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